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RESPONSE

This document is responsive to the Official Action dated October 18, 2006.

Claims 6-20 are currently pending in the application. Claims 6-19 currently stand rejected for allegedly being obvious in view of two combined U.S. Patents. The Official Action is silent with respect to claim 20. That is, the Official Action on Form PTOL-326 indicates that claim 20 is rejected, but yet the body of the Official Action fails to state what reason claim 20 is rejected for.

The undersigned respectfully requests clarification regarding what grounds claim 20 is allegedly rejected for.

If a telephone interview could assist in the prosecution of this application, please call the undersigned attorney.

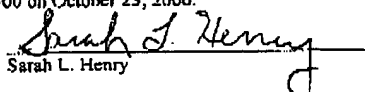
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